

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:		)	
		:	Examiner: Joyce Tung
TADASHI OKAMOTO, et al.		)	
		:	Group Art Unit: 1637
Application No.: 09/764,050		)	
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Filed: January 19, 2001		)	
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For:	DETECTION/QUANTIFICATION	)	
	OF TARGETED NUCLEOTIDE	:	
	CHAINS, AND DETECTION/	)	
	QUANTIFICATION OF	:	
	MULTI-FOLD NUCLEOTIDE	)	
	CHAINS BY FLUORESCENCE	:	December 17, 2003
Mail S	Stop Non-Fee Amendment		
Comm	nissioner for Patents		
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## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 17, 2003, the period for response to which having been extended three months from September 17, 2003 to December 17, 2003 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

> I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on:

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December 17, 2003 Date of Signature